

ABSTRACT

An apparatus with at least one tubular support (2) rotating about an axis (102), on which a knitted raw tubular portion (3) is placed. The support (2) has holes (42) in communication with a suction system for causing the tubular portion (3), and eventually a semi-finished garment (60) resulting therefrom, to adhere to the support (2) in order to assure its correct position during operation. The tubular portion (3) can be cut along a desired cutting line (61) that is obtained by combination of the rotation (102) of the tubular support and the translation (D2) of cutting means, which can be of laser type. A plurality of supports (2) may be mounted on a carousel (100) rotatable stepwise about a driven axis and carrying the tubular supports (2) through corresponding cutting (154), moisturizing (151), drawing on the support (152,153), loading (150) and unloading (155), quality checking (150,155) workstations.